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L.A. Question- Newspapers- Stoppage of indecent advertisements- Papers recorded.

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INDECENT ADVERTISEMENT.

*216 Q- Sri Mr. Govindaswami: Will the Hon. the Prime Minister be pleased to state whether there is any proposal to check or stop all indecent advertisements?

The Hon. Dr. P. Subbarayan (on behalf of Hon. the Prime Minister) "Instructions were issued in December last to District Magistrates to take suitable action to prevent the publication or circulation of any such advertisements."

Mohamed Abdul Salam Sahib Bahadur:- "Will the Hon. Minister be pleased to define what the Government mean by 'indecent advertisements"?.

The Hon. P. Subbarayan: "Advertisements of a nature which might excite people and things like that. If the hon. Member wants further information, I shall have to produce a dictionary."

M.S. Abdul Majid Sahib Bahadur:- "Will the Hon. Minister give us an assurance that all these pictorial advertisements will be passed by the Board of Film Censors before they are actually put on the boards?"

The Hon. Dr. P. Subbaryan: " I cannot give any such undertaking; but I shall see that such objectionable advertisements are not put on boards; and this will be brought to the notice of the censors."

Mohamed Abdul Salam Sahib Bahadur:- "Is the Hon. Minister aware that even horse races excite people which he has so ably defende in the Council?"

The Hon. Dr. P. Subbarayan: "It does not excite me, Sir; it might excite the hon. Member concerned."

Sri M.G. Natesa Chettiyrar: "May I know, Sir, whether these indecent advertisements pass through the Censor Boards?"

The Hon. Dr. P. Subbaryan:- "I did not hear the hon. Member."

Sri M.G. Natesa Chettiyar:- "May I ask the Hon. Minister why restrictions should not be placed to see that these indecent advertisements are not passed by the Censor Boards?"

The Hon. Dr. P. Subbaryan:- "What I referred to was the question of picures exhibited in the cinema houses; but as it is , the Government and the District Magistrates have power to prevent the publication of indecent advertisements."

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The papers may now be recorded in a Ms. G.O. for future reference and guidance.

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